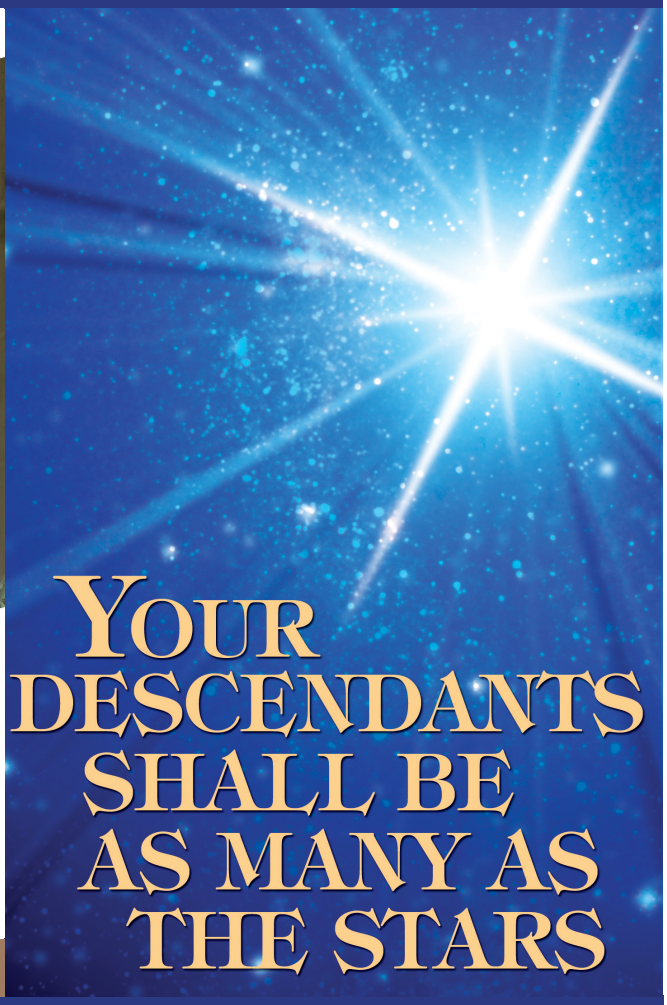
St. John The Beloved Parish



December 31, 2017

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

Rev. Joseph Piekarski, Pastor
907 Milltown Road
Sherwood Park
Wilmington, DE 19808

Parish Office: (302) 999-0211

Liturgy Schedule
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses
Mon - Fri 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m.

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Our Parish Office is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Find Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, and Altar Server Schedules online at www.sjbde.org/liturgical-schedules.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. To schedule with priest, please call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Contact the Parish Office to schedule a Baptismal Preparation Class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Please contact parish priest or deacon one year prior to the wedding.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anyone seriously ill or facing surgery, please call a priest to make arrangements.

HOLY DAY MASSES As announced

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - (RCIA) Are you interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith or in learning more about the Church? For information please call the parish office.

DEVOTIONS - Mondays

Adoration, 6:00 p.m.
Novena and Benediction, 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER GROUP - Tuesdays

Bible study, praise music, intercessory prayer St. John Bosco Conference Room 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. All are welcomed.

First Saturday Devotions with the Blue Army are held each month beginning with mass at 8 a.m.

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality meets the first Sunday of the month at the 7:30 a.m. mass to honor our Blessed Mother. Please join us after mass to pray the rosary.

Legion of Mary meets at the Vianney house every Monday, 7-8:30 p.m.

Catholic Cemeteries
All Saints: 737-2524
Cathedral: 656-3323
Gate of Heaven: 732-3690

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family and it reminds us of our responsibility to be a holy family, as well as our obligation to pray for our families. In today's Gospel, Mary and Joseph present Jesus in the Temple. It is a wonderful scene with numerous characters. Mary and Joseph must have loved showing Jesus off and enjoyed the fuss that people made about Him. Two of the people making a fuss over Jesus were Simeon and Anna who were driven, that day, to witness salvation being brought into the Temple.

This Gospel reminds us that God is the priority of Joseph, Mary and their Christ Child. Other Gospel passages, also, tell us that it was the custom of the Holy Family to make a distant pilgrimage to the Holy Temple in Jerusalem, each year. Also, we know from the Gospels that they were well known in the local synagogue of their hometown Nazareth. What this says is that the Holy Family was loyal to worshiping God and very much a part of the community of faith. They would have been considered a normal family with Joseph seeking work as a carpenter, Mary being the domestic and Jesus learning a trade and the demands of His culture. What makes them "Holy" is because God was the nucleus of everything they did individually and collectively. All decisions were grounded in doing God's Will.

They, like us, needed a community of faith and they took advantage of it by observing all the Jewish rituals, sharing scripture and praying with their family and friends. Yes, worship was most important to them and it should be the same for us if we want to be a Holy Family.

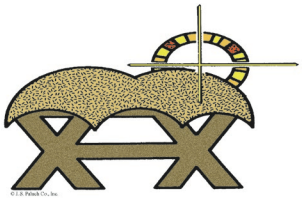
As we start a New Year, I pray that more families, especially those who are lost, find in our community a grounding in faith. Church is here because Christ initiated it. Mass and liturgies are here so we can worship God properly. The Sacraments are here to open our minds to scripture and give guidance in our contemporary world. The Eucharist feeds us with heavenly food that gives us Life in Christ. Families should know that when they walk into Church, they are walking into their home where they are welcome, wanted and needed.

May this feast allow us to look seriously at the essence of the Holy Family of Nazareth. They kept their union with God as the foundation and glue of their lives. This resulted in the example they are for us today. We have everything we need to meet the challenges of 2018 calmly. We have the Lord. We can be a holy family.

Christmas is always a stupendous celebration because of the many folks who minister at the liturgies, decorate, clean, direct and pay for the season. Of special note is the Music Ministry, choir, cantors and musicians who go the extra mile to make our liturgies sacred and beautiful. To everyone who somehow contributes in attendance, prayer and donations….**Thank you**.

May the presence of the Holy Family of Nazareth fill your hearts and homes this year of 2018.

Fathers Piekarski, Coffiey & Martin; Deacons Bailey, Wuebbels & Fontana and the staff of St. John the Beloved Church



New Year's Day, January 1, 2018, falls on a Monday this year and although a Holy Day is <u>not</u> one of obligation. It is a holy and proper thing to start the New Year with God. The 5 p.m. Mass on Sunday is for the Feast of the Holy Family.

Masses for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God, January 1st are **9 & 11 a.m**. There will be <u>no</u> exposition and novena that Monday.

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish as part of your gift to God for the good things God has given you.

12/17/17 Offertory	$ 20,253.73
Christmas	$ 1,586.00
Building & Maintenance	$ 2,462.00
St. Vincent DePaul	$ 510.00
Other	$ 332.41
TOTAL:	**$ 25,144.14**

Become a Member of Our Parish Family.

Visit SJBDE.org and click **"Connect Now."** Only registered parishioners can obtain letters of eligibility for Godparents and sponsors. If you have already registered with the Parish Office, please take a minute to update your information online. **Thank you!**

How does *ConnectNow Giving* benefit me?

1. ConnectNow Giving is **easy, convenient and safe.**
2. ConnectNow Giving allows you to give **any amount, anytime from any device** with Internet access.
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How does *ConnectNow Giving* help our parish?

1. ConnectNow Giving **increases the efficiency** of processing regular giving for financial planning.
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3. ConnectNow Giving **utilizes technology** to allow us to spread God's Word through more consistent stewardship

SIGN UP TODAY!

Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 1, 2018.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
WEEK OF DECEMBER 31

Sun: **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph; New Year's Eve**
7:30 Irene O'Brien
9:30 Marie & Francis Murray
11:30 James E. Cain
5:00 Joan Panaccio

Mon: **Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day**
9:00 Joseph R. Swarter
11:00 Cecilia Dawson

Tue: **Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen**
6:30 Mike McDonald
8:00 Ross & Betty Fasick

Wed: **The Most Holy Name of Jesus**
6:30 Mary Turner
8:00 Paul Bradley

Thur: **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**
6:30 Sr. Helena Joseph Balbach
8:00 Agnes Burns

Fri: **St. John Neumann; First Friday**
6:30 Sybil Andred
8:00 Adeline Sarro
9:30 School Mass (Epiphany)

Sat: **St. André Bessette; First Saturday**
8:00 Krissy Smith Longyear
Raymond F. Bree
Kathleen Raymond
Dorothy Saypack
Arlene Caldaro
5:00 Our Parish Family

Sun: **The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week**
7:30 Charlie Sullivan
9:30 Josephine DiStefano
11:30 Nancy R. Moretto
5:00 Rocke Izzo

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

SJB SCHOOL NEWS:

Fire Prevention Winners October 31, 2017

Millcreek Winners

Kind.

Conner Przybylski	KA	first place
Charlotte Urian	KA	second place
Kaitlyn Terranova	KA	third place

First Grade

Brendan Albert	1B	first place
Alyna Boulden	1B	second place
Hannah Besosa	1B	third place

Second Grade

Julia Calhoun	2A	first place
Chloe Sullivan	2B	second place

Fifth Grade

Patrick Tobin	5C	second place

Seventh Grade

Chris Albert	7C	first place
Madison Mosier	7A	second place

Eighth Grade

Matthew Schwarz	8C	first place
Emily Malone	8C	second place
Alex Willis	8C	third place

County Winners

Brenden Albert	1B	first place
Matthew Schwarz	8C	second place
Chris Albert	7C	second place

PARISH NEWS:

The 1st round games of the 39th annual SJB "Charlie Sullivan" Boys Basketball Tournament are scheduled for Tuesday, January 2nd through Saturday, January 6th.

Games start at 6:00 p.m. On Saturday, January 6th our 4th grade tournament will start with 2 games – 3pm and 4pm.

Admission is $3 for adults, $1 for students.

The kitchen will be open every night of the tournament.

Bring the entire family out to cheer on our Eagles and for a night of basketball, food, fun and fellowship!

Our Annual Parish Baby Shower to benefit Birthright on the Baptism of our Lord will be held the weekend of January 6 and 7. Nursery items are needed for babies age newborn to 2 years. Please leave unwrapped baby items in the lay sacristy. Thank you for your loving care.

Because of you and your help, SJB Outreach assisted more than120 local families during this season of giving.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

MARRIAGE MOMENTS: Christmas is over but the visiting and company may continue through the holidays. Although generally a happy time of family togetherness, it can also be a time when stress causes short tempers. Be mindful and merciful with your beloved these days when you might be together in extremely close quarters.

PARENTING POINTERS: How will you celebrate the end of 2017? Gather and remember the joys of the year (birthdays, accomplishments, milestones) and sorrows (deaths, hurts, mistakes). End with a group hug. *Provided by www.SusanVogt.net

Our **Adult Altar Server Program** has been a success. We are looking for more adults to volunteer. Perhaps you are being called by the Holy Spirit to assist in the Liturgy of the Holy Mass.

The role of an altar server is integral to the normal celebration of the Mass. Servers can carry the processional cross and candles, hold the book for the priest celebrant when he is not at the altar, carry the incense and censer, present the bread, wine, and water to the priest during the preparation of the gifts or assist him when he receives the gifts from the people, wash the hands of the priest, and assist the priest celebrant and deacon as necessary.

Anyone who would like to volunteer please call the parish office at (302) 999-0211 to make an appointment. Fr. Martin will give instruction on the Mass and its parts and their meaning, the various objects used in the liturgy (their names and use), and the various functions of the server.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Ministry of Caring

Sandwich donations are welcome from all parishioners. Deliver to the hall kitchen door on Thursday evenings 6:30-7:00 p.m. and Friday morning before 9:30 a.m. at the Outreach Office. The sandwiches are taken to the Emmanuel Dining Room to help feed those in need. We are most in need of sandwiches on the 1st and 4th Fridays of the month.

The SJB H&SA 2017 Breakfast With Santa Committee would like to thank all of our attendees and volunteers for a very successful event. Special thanks to our H&SA Sponsors for their continued support: Geico, Ferris Home Improvements, Unique Image, Quinn's Cafe, Richardson's Floral Centers, Delcollo Salvatore Real Estate, Pike Creek Mortgage, American Dance Academy, Diamond State Photography and North East Contractors. Another thank you to the following local businesses that donated a gift card for our raffle baskets: Richardson's Floral Center, Quinn's Cafe, Hand & Stone, Bowlerama, Woodside Creamery, BBC Tavern & Grill, Hockessin Athletic Center, American Dance Academy, Unique Image, Winterthur, Longwood Gardens, Hagley Museum, Buffalo Wild Wings, The Well, Stone Balloon, Pat's Pizzeria, Timothy's, Two Cousins and Pizza Pro. Help us thank them for their generosity by patronizing their business.

Please donate to Parish Outreach:

___ canned meat, tuna, vegetables, fruit and soups

___ boxed mac & cheese

___ rice, beans, pasta

___ personal hygiene items

___ cleaning supplies

THANK YOU!

Scan here for more information ———>

For up to the minute news and information, "Like" @SJBDE on Facebook.

And "Follow" @SJBDEParish on Twitter and Instagram.

St. John the Beloved School Open House and Enrollment Night is Wednesday, February 7, 2018, 6:30 p.m. in the school.

3 & 4 year-old early childhood, Kindergarten, and Grades 1-8 students are now being accepted for the 2018-19 school year.

All families interested in registering their NEW STUDENTS for the 3 & 4 year-old Early Childhood and Kindergarten programs, and all **NEW** families for Grades 1 - 8 for the 2016-17 School Year:
Please call Mrs. Breznitsky in the school office at 998-5525 ext. 200 if you have any questions. You can complete our online Application form from our website www.sjbdel.org . Please return this form along with the application fee per child, a copy of their baptismal certificate (if baptized in another parish), a copy of their latest progress report, and a copy of their DE state Childfind Screening (for Kindergartners only) to the School Office as soon as possible.
We are filling up fast so please submit your applications as soon as possible!

REQUIREMENTS FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLD EARLY CHILDHOOD ADMISSION:
- Students must be 3 or 4 years old on or before August 31, 2018 and toilet trained (no Pull-ups)
- Application form and non-refundable $150.00 Application fee per child.
- Copy of Baptismal certificate (only if baptized in another parish).

REQUIREMENTS FOR KINDERGARTEN ADMISSION:
- Student must be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2018.
- Application form and non-refundable $150.00 Application fee per child.
- Copy of Baptismal certificate (only if baptized in another parish).
- Copy of Childfind Screening (if done in your current school).
- Copy of Progress Report from current school.

REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW FAMILY GRADES 1 - 8 ADMISSION:
- Application form and non-refundable $150.00 Application fee per child.
- Copy of Baptismal certificate (only if baptized in another parish).
- Copy of latest report card.
- Copy of latest TerraNova or state testing.

Visit our school website www.sjbdel.org for more information!

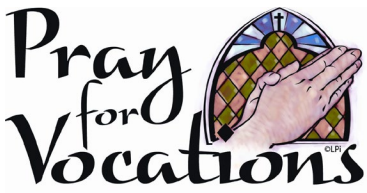
St. Thomas the Apostle Knights of Columbus has chartered a bus for people of all ages, weather permitting, for the ***March for Life*** held on Friday, January 19. There will be a stop at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for those unable to make the March. Seats will be available on a first come basis. The only cost to the individual passenger is a tip for the bus driver. Please contact Theresa Collurafici at 12374Columbiettes@gmail.com or 302-322-2929 to sign up.

INSPIRE

Vocations: We have so much to learn from the Holy Family: Mary allows God's will to change her life; Joseph pays close attention to and follows the prompting of the angel; Jesus says to the Father "not my will, but Thine be done." What is the Father's will for *you*? Are you taking steps to find out? If you think God might be calling you to live out a religious vocation, please call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations!

General Intersession: For the families of our parish community, that parents might encourage and nourish priestly and religious vocations and that children may hunger to learn God's will for them, we pray to the Lord!

Being raised in the traditions of the Church can sometime feel like an unnecessary burden and inconvenience. We are reminded today, however, that even Christ adhered to His parent's traditions. Surely we cannot claim to know more than Christ. Our traditions are what strengthen our faith, and what brings us closer to the Lord. We should be thankful that individuals like our parents have prioritized our faith in order to pass on these traditions, and the truths that they reveal. This week take a moment to thank those that have helped to raise you in the faith. Say a prayer to thank God for placing them in your life and blessing you with their guidance.



Priest: Let us pray for priestly and religious vocations.

All: O God, we earnestly beseech Thee to bless the Church with many priests, brothers, and sisters, who will love Thee with their whole hearts, be faithful to their vocations, and gladly spend their entire lives to teach Thy truths, serve Thy Church, and to make Thee known and loved.

Priest: Bless our families, bless our children.

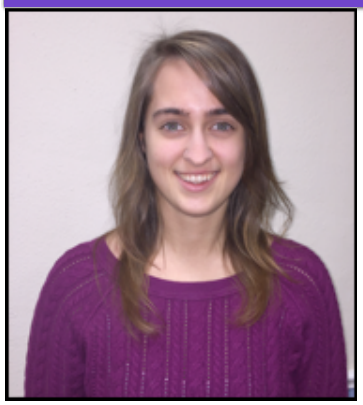
All: Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work.

Priest: O Mary, Queen of priestly and religious vocations:

All: Pray for us. Pray for our priests, seminarians, and religious. Obtain for us the grace of many more. Amen. (please offer your reception of Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month for vocations.)

Prayer for Parents for Priestly and Religious Vocations: O God, grant that at least one of our sons may become a priest or religious brother, and one of our daughters a religious sister. We ourselves want to live as good Christians, and to guide our children always to do what is right, so that we may receive the grace, O God, to be allowed to give Thee a holy priest, brother, or sister! Amen. (Conclude with an Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be.)

MEET THE RCIA CANDIDATE



Melissa Fidelibus

My name is Melissa Fidelibus and I was raised as a Methodist. My father is Catholic but my mother raised my sister and I in the United Mount Hope Methodist Church. I am currently going to school with Southern New Hampshire University online to receive my bachelors in business with a focus in human resources. I currently work at Best Friends Pet Care as the assistant manager. I have been with Best Friends for 6 years now. My biggest hobby is horseback riding even though I do not get to go as much as I would like. I also like to sew and am pretty good at pottery.

Up until I was 16 years old I had cousins only on my Dad's side. The entire Fidelibus side of my family had been raised Catholic and growing up I always felt a bit left out when going to certain family functions. I did not understand what was going on during the Catholic services that I had attended. About two years ago I met my boy friend, Anthony, and it didn't take long to know that we wanted to spend the rest of our lives together. It just so happens, Anthony and Father Coffiey have been very close friends since high school. After giving it serious thought, it wasn't difficult to make the decision I had always struggled with in my past. Now I am much closer to completing the piece of me that I had always found missing.

I love the welcoming feeling of RCIA, every time I walk through the door everyone greets one another. RCIA is very insightful and before you can even think of a question, it has already been answered for you. There is so much that we are learning that you could not even imagine. Every day I seem to find something that reminds me of God's presence. About the 3rd week of classes I was out to eat with Anthony. I looked over at the ground and found this little cross just lying there. I picked it up knowing it was a sign that I was doing the right thing. From that day I carry it with me wherever I go.

Now I am learning the ways of how Mass works, the colors behind the robes, and realizing why a homily fits with the readings. RCIA has really helped to open my eyes and I have a greater appreciation of the Mass. I am more comfortable during Mass now than I have ever been before.

COMING UP… < January 2018 >

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14 Mass 7:30am - 8:30am @ Church Mass 9:30am - 10:30am @ Church No Sunday School (R.E) 9:30am - 10:30am @ School Mass w/ music by St. John the Beloved Adult Choir 11:30am - 12:30pm @ Church Boys Basketball Tournament 1:00pm - 10:00pm @ Hall Loft Boys Basketball Tournament 1:00pm - 10:00pm @ Hall Kitchen Boys Basketball Tournament 1:00pm - 10:00pm @ Bosco Conference Rm (Adults only) Boys Basketball Tournament 1:00pm - 10:00pm @ Hall Mass 5:00pm - 6:00pm @ Church	**15** Martin Luther King Day Daily Mass 6:30am and 8:00am 6:30am - 8:45am @ Church Basketball Practice (B & G) 1:00pm - 6:00pm @ Hall Adoration 6:00pm - 7:30pm @ Church Cheer Practice 6:00pm - 7:30pm @ Hall RCIA 7:00pm - 9:00pm @ Bosco Conference Rm (Adults only) Basketball Practice (B & G) 7:30pm - 10:00pm @ Hall	**16** Daily Mass 6:30am and 8:00am 6:30am - 8:45am @ Church Prayer Group 9:30am - 11:00am @ Bosco Conference Rm (Adults only) Basketball Practice (B & G) 6:00pm - 10:00pm @ Hall Religious Education (R.E.) 6:30pm - 7:30pm @ School Legion of Mary 7:00pm - 9:30pm @ Vianney Sitting Rm	**17** Daily Mass 6:30am and 8:00am 6:30am - 8:45am @ Church Basketball Practice (B & G) 6:00pm - 10:00pm @ Hall Knights of Columbus 7:00pm - 10:00pm @ Bosco Conference Rm (Adults only)	**18** Daily Mass 6:30am and 8:00am 6:30am - 8:45am @ Church Cheer Practice 6:00pm - 7:30pm @ Hall Choir Practice 6:30pm - 9:00pm @ Church Basketball Practice (B & G) 7:30pm - 10:00pm @ Hall	**19** Daily Mass 6:30am and 8:00am 6:30am - 8:45am @ Church Basketball Game (B & G) 6:00pm - 10:00pm @ Hall Cub Scouts 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Hall Loft Cub Scouts 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Hall	**20** Daily Mass 8:00am 8:00am - 9:00am @ Church Mass 5:00pm - 6:00pm @ Church
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To view our Parish Calendar online visit **SJBDE.org**, click the **ABOUT** tab and select **Parish Calendar** from the menu.

ST. LOUIS MARIE DE MONTFORT

2017----2018

St. John the Beloved School Library and Vianney House

(Entrance: Outside side door of Library between school & Church)

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Wednesday, December 13, 2017- 7:00pm-8:00pm (Vianney House)

Wednesday, January10, 2018 -7:00pm-8:00pm (Vianney House)

Wednesday, February 7, 2018-7:00pm-8:00pm (Library)

Wednesday, March 7, 2018-7:00pm-8:00pm (Library)

The Consecration Mass be held on

Monday April 9, 2018 at 5:00pm

This is the Feast of the annunciation

St John the Beloved Catholic Church located at 907 Milltown Road, Wilmington Delaware 19808. For Further information, Please call Johannah Wojcik at 302-998-3057 Or Janet at 302-996-0482

Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

--Benjamin Franklin

Save the Date!

cornerstone

Our Parish Cornerstone Retreat for Women is Friday, March 2, and Saturday, March 3. The Parish Cornerstone Retreat for Men will be Saturday, March 17, 2018. Look for registration information and event details in January 2018.

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